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GIVES SOVIET TROOP DISPOSITIONS IN HUNGARY

SAYS SZEKESFEHERVAR, SZOMBATHELY THICKLY OCCUPIED -- Munich, Hungaria, 31 Mar 51

Soviet troops based in Hungary are stationed at the following places:

At Cegled, Soviet and Hungarian armored units are quartered in the former infantry barracks on Nagykoros ut, and a Soviet armored battalion is stationed in the cavalry barracks. A Soviet motorized artillery battalion is stationed in Cegledbercel. A Soviet armored battalion has been quartered at Nagykoros, an artillery battalion at Lajosmizse, an artillery battalion at Jaszkarajeno, and a motorized artillery battalion is camped in the Kovacsmajor.

Debrezen is occupied by Soviet troops to a moderate extent. A 65-bed hospital wing has been cleared for the use of Soviet soldiers, and several schools and barracks have been requisitioned for quartering transient Soviet troops. At the Debrezen airport, recruits are being trained under Soviet officers, and a Soviet military police company is quartered at the Debrezen military post headquarters.

Contrary to widespread rumors, no Soviet troops are stationed at Szeged except 500 paratroopers, quartered there since last fall. Szeged is one of the most important bases of the Hungarian Army. The 1st and 2d regiments of the 1st Hungarian Armored Division are located south of Szeged, at the Yugoslav border.

Strong, motorized units have been camped at Nemetboly since last fall.

A motorized infantry battalion is stationed in the Hungarian artillery barracks at Győr. The Soviets have begun dismantling one of the foundries of the Győr Wagon Factory, and it is reported that the foundry will be reassembled in the Matra mountains. Part of the Győr Wagon Factory will be retooled for manufacturing cannon to be mounted in tanks.

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Szekesfehervar is thickly occupied by Soviet troops. Large armored units are stationed in the Buda-ut cavalry barracks, and a Soviet antiaircraft artillery battalion and a motorized infantry battalion are stationed in the Zamoly-utca artillery barracks. A large Soviet motorized infantry unit is stationed in the barracks of the former 69th Regiment. A Soviet armored unit and a Hungarian unit are stationed in other barracks on Buda-ut.

The top command at Szekesfehervar is quartered in a small building formerly occupied by a Hungarian Army corps headquarters. Some of the offices of the building have been converted into living quarters for Soviet officers and their families. The Soviet city headquarters is in the Arpad Hotel on Varkorut. The building at 24 Varkorut houses the MVD headquarters and also serves as quarters for ranking officers of the Soviet political police and their families. Enlisted men are quartered in three large buildings near the Szabo Mansion on Budai-ut. The Hungarian State Security Authority (AVO) has its headquarters in the latter building. A military hospital near the Szent Gyorgy Hospital has been evacuated for Soviet military personnel.

Szombathely is the Hungarian city most thickly occupied by military forces. Two main buildings of the former gendarmery noncommissioned-officer-training school are occupied by a Soviet armored battalion. Soviet headquarters is located in the Szombathely County Building, where a Soviet military police company of 120 is also quartered in the basement.

MORE SOVIET TANKS ARRIVE IN HUNGARY -- Rome, Bollettino Danubiano, 29 Jan 51

Reliable sources report that a new Soviet armored unit of 45-50 heavy tanks arrived last December in the locality of Nagykanizsa in southern Hungary. Although no precise data is available on this unit because of the constant displacement of Soviet divisions and the changes in their names, technical experts believe that the Soviet occupation forces in Hungary may be 5-7 divisions strong. Each Soviet division has about 10,000-12,000 men.

The Hungarian military command, which is under Soviet control set up seven divisions before the end of 1950. These divisions received modern Soviet equipment. The formation of an eighth division is under way.

SAYS HUNGARIAN ARMY DOES NOT EXCEED PEACE TREATY LIMITS -- Budapest, Szabad Ifjusag, 2 Mar 51

During the recent congress of the Hungarian Workers' Party, Minister of Defense Mihaly Parkas made the following remarks on the composition of the army.

The peace treaty permitted Hungary to maintain an army. Hungary took advantage of this opportunity, considering strained international relations. The army corresponds to the provisions of the peace treaty and does not exceed them.

On 1 January 1949, 5.5 percent of the officer corps consisted of new officers. On 1 January 1950, the proportion of new officers reached 80.7 percent. On 1 January 1949, there were no general officers of peasant or worker origin. On 1 January 1951, the proportion of general officers of peasant or worker origin reached 68 percent. The following is a breakdown of the officer corps by social composition (in percent):

Industrial workers	38.1
Agricultural workers	20.5
Peasants	13.5
Artisans, small businessmen	7.4
Intellectuals, white-collar workers	20.5

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The composition of the officer corps reflects the character of the people's democratic system. The sons of the people lead the army of the Hungarian people.

According to Farkas, the armed forces of Yugoslavia total 700,000-750,000. Tito's aggressive intentions are further shown by reports of violations of the Hungarian border by Yugoslavia. During 1950, a total of 795 violations were committed by Yugoslavia, as follows: on land, 769 cases; on water, one case; in the air, 25 cases. The number is constantly growing.

Tito's large, but poorly equipped army has now been taken in hand by Truman. Truman quickly sent food, containing inferior substitutes, powdered eggs, dried fish, moldy dried pastes, and beans. These are the things for which Tito is selling hundreds of thousands of young Yugoslavs as cannon fodder to the American imperialists. There is no doubt, however, that in the end he will meet with Chiang's fate.

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